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Examining Group 3738

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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This amendment is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated August 30, 2006,
and further to the telephone interview between Examiner Bruce E. Snow and the undersigned on
October 19, 2006. Please amend the application as follows:

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